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Briefly

Area parties to greet new year

Among the Quad City area parties that will welcome in the new year of 1991 is one planned for 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31, at Bowland Lanes. Music, a buffet, prizes and bowling will be among the attractions.

Job training offered in area

Job training opportunities are being offered to young people, ages 17-21, according to Nelson Hagauer, Madison County Board chairman, and Frank Thompson, Bond County Board chairman. The County Employment and Training Department, 876-5031, plans free clerical, drafting, computer, automotive, aviation maintenance, nurse assistant and teacher aide classes.

Words to live by are recalled

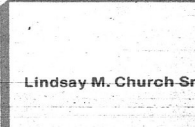
In his column on Page 2A today, Kevin Horrigan gives a variety of "words to live by" in the coming year. The authors range from Casey Stengel and Kurt Vonnegut to John Wayne and John F. Kennedy.

Tip of the hat



David Medley, the Venice Police Department's first Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) officer, graduated from the Illinois State Police DARE training course on Dec. 14. He believes today's youngsters need and deserve help in avoiding drugs and alcohol abuse. He will begin the DARE program with sixth grade students in mid-January.

Deaths



Lindsay M. Church Sr.

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Happy holidays, horrible highways

Days leading to Christmas hamper driving

By Valerie Evenden
and Bob Slate
Staff writers

GRANITE CITY — Rain, fog, snow, sleet and ice combined to make the holiday weekend a five-day driving nightmare in the Midwest.

Merry Christmas.

Locally, numerous "ender-benders" occurred as the highways and streets quickly became ice-covered, first on Friday, followed by snow, more ice and more snow on Saturday and Sunday.

Road crews worked round the clock throughout Metro East. Salt was being spread again on the McKinley Bridge in Venice at 11 a.m. Sunday.

Many motorists found it difficult to open car doors due to the ice on Friday night. Some vehicles' door locks were frozen and windshield wipers were glued to ice-encrusted windshields.

Forty-three traffic accidents were investigated by Granite City police between late Friday afternoon and shortly after midnight on Saturday. Few of the collisions involved persons being injured. In Granite City, 13 accidents were reported on Friday and 29 collisions were

investigated on Saturday. A two-vehicle collision at 1:25 a.m. Sunday involved a driver, who allegedly had been drinking and was driving too fast for the snow-packed streets and icy conditions.

Most of Friday's accidents occurred in the late afternoon and evening hours.

One of the traffic mishaps — at 5:15 p.m. Friday on Maryville Road just south of Pontoon Road — resulted in injuries. Sandra L. Ousley, 43, of the 1600 block of Minerva Avenue drove from a parking lot and turned south onto Maryville Road, colliding with a car operated by Robin E. Cox, 33, of the 2500 block of Parkview Drive. Cox said she had stopped in the left turn lane on southbound Maryville Road, waiting to turn left, when her auto was struck from the rear.

Neither Ousley nor Cox was reported to be injured, but three passengers in the Cox car were hurt, reports said.

Taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center were Cindi J. Ferguson, 29, of the 2200 block of Washington Avenue, Kaitlin J. Ferguson, 2 months, of the same address, and Robert J. Ferguson, 16, of the 2500 block of Parkview Drive.

No one was reported injured in a traffic

crash at 6:42 p.m. Friday on Illinois 3 about a half-mile south of St. Thomas Road when a southbound car struck the left rear tire of another vehicle, causing the first car to slide across the road and median and hit a northbound vehicle. All three drivers were from out of town.

Police said a driver who left the scene apparently struck and damaged a railroad crossing gate at West Pontoon and Nameoki roads at 11:15 p.m. Friday.

The Madison Police Department reported two one-vehicle mishaps Friday afternoon.

Both occurred on Illinois Route 203, near Ohio Avenue, between 5:30 and 6 p.m. In each instance, the driver reported losing control of his vehicle due to icy road conditions.

No injuries were reported.

Venice police reported having two traffic mishaps on Saturday. Neither mishap involved injuries.

Among the 29 accidents in Granite City on Saturday, 11 occurred on Nameoki Road, most between Jill and Clark avenues, and five on Edwardsville Road near 20th Street.

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(Staff photo by Pam Doepeke-Hurd)
KENNETH MARTI shovels snow in front of his home in the 2500 block of Benton Sunday morning. More than 2 inches fell.

Real estate track becoming derailed

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — The real estate business that boomed in the '80s is looking at hard times in the '90s, according to Albert M. Suguitan, Illinois commissioner of real estate.

"The '90s may serve as a hangover period for that party that was the '80s," Suguitan told the Granite City Board of Realtors at its December meeting. He was in town to discuss regulatory and other changes coming in this field in the next year.

Suguitan said the American economy and the world economy have merged and everything has changed forever. As a result, he said, the way things were done in the 1980s, 1990s and 1990s will not work in the 1990s.

"The fast train is slowing down and some people are going to be getting off it," he said. Suguitan said there are three big issues facing people in the real estate business: regulation of appraisers, disclosure and continuing education.

As part of the savings and loan bailout, he said, the U.S. Congress included a provision that requires states to license real estate appraisers along specific guidelines. It further requires, as of July 1, a certified appraisal of all mortgage loans re-sold on the bond market.

Because almost all mortgages are re-sold, Suguitan said, and because it is physically impossible for any state to meet the federal criteria before the deadline, "The question is whether there will be a mortgage loan business after June 30."

Suguitan said several states have applied for extensions and have been unsuccessful. The only thing to do, he said, is to keep working to attempt to meet the deadline and hope a rumored six-month extension is true.

Beginning in 1990, Illinois required all real estate agents and brokers to have a disclosure form, stating for whom the agent is working, signed at

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Albert Suguitan
realty commissioner

Realty trade respectable, says official

GRANITE CITY — People in the real estate business tend to have an undeserved low opinion, publicly, of their profession, according to Albert M. Suguitan, Illinois real estate commissioner.

"But if you had the chance to meet the 93,000 agents and brokers in the state, as I have, you'd see a collection of top-caliber people," he said. But Suguitan also sees the bad side as final hearing authority on disciplinary matters.

Weeding out the bad is a slow process, Suguitan said, partially because his office is understaffed, but for the most part, because he wants to ensure fairness through a deliberate and unbiased process.

Even in cases where the person has already been found guilty in a court of law, that person is also entitled to a day in court with his office.

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(Staff photo by Bob Slate)

TOUSSAINT FAMILY TREE: Like thousands of other youngsters this morning, Katie Toussaint, 7, and her brother Jonathan, 3, are busy rifling through the presents brought during the night by Santa. They are the children of Darryl and Sally Toussaint and the grandchildren of Dr. Harold and Joyce Toussaint, all of Granite City.

Two-year 'sewer smell' has neighbor in uproar

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

PONTON BEACH — Debbie Mattern of 15 Georgetown Drive, Ponton Beach, is raising a stink.

Mattern says that, for the past two years, she and her family have experienced a "sewer smell" near her home. She says that "everyone around smells it" and "no one should have to live like this."

Mattern has lived at the Georgetown address for 13 years. She said she never had a problem until two years ago, when her family noticed an unpleasant odor hovering around her home.

She says that the smell gets so bad in the summer that she and her family cannot stand to use the swimming pool in her back yard.

At first, Mattern thought that nearby construction had caused a sewer break in the area. But repeated attempts to get the Madison County sanitary sewer system staff to resolve the matter have failed, she says.

She first reported the odor to Gene Futch, superintendent of the county system, in the summer of 1989. She says the sewers were flushed out, but the odor remained.

At that time, Futch reported to Mattern

that the problem could be with the plumbing vents on the top of her home. He said they were too low, and "when the wind comes over the house it blows the fumes right back down around the house."

Futch reported Dec. 17 that his office checked lines in the area Dec. 14 for possible breaks, utilizing a video camera, designed for that purpose, but found no breaks.

An earlier effort to make such a videotape a few months ago had failed due to problems with the camera equipment.

He suggested that Mattern have her house checked for possible breaks, but

she thus far has declined to go to the expense, since she feels the problem lies with the sewer department. She says that if the problem was with her home, she would have had a sewer backup by now.

"But," she adds, "if the problem proves to be mine, I'll be happy to fix it myself."

Mary Bloodworth, of 17 Georgetown, says she, too, is aware of the problem.

"It sure does get rank," she says. "In the summer you can't even open your windows, because of the smell."

Mattern has reported the situation to Jack Merritt, health inspector for Pon

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Kevin Horrigan
Staff writer

As New Year Dawns, Old Words Offer Truth

I was sitting around the other night, getting depressed about the coming of the New Year, when I decided to pop a copy of "The Shootist" into the VCR.

"The Shootist" was John Wayne's last movie, and to my mind, his best. He plays an aging gunslinger who discovers he's got terminal cancer. He decides he'd rather go down guns a'blazin' than die a slow, painful death, so he invites three bad guys who desperately deserve killing to meet him at a saloon.

The Duke dispatches the bad guys and is himself shot in the back by a cowardly bartender, who is in turn shot dead by the kid who played Opie on "The Andy Griffith Show." This movie never fails to cheer me up.

The key scene is one where the Duke, having finished a round of target practice, tells Opie his philosophy of life:

"You set a code of laws to live by. I won't be wronged. I won't be insulted. I won't be laid a hand on. I don't do these things to other people, and I require the same from them."

I turned off the VCR with a profound sense of gratitude. John Wayne had gotten me out of my funk, and better yet, had added a new item to my collection of "Words to Live By."

I keep some of these words in my head. Others I keep on slips of paper I tuck in my wallet. Others I have posted on the bulletin board. I have never before written them down in one place. Folks in need of resolutions for the New Year are invited to use these:

"There are three things in life which are real: God, human folly and laughter. The first two are beyond our comprehension, so we must do what we can with the third."

This one came from President Kennedy, who cited the Hindu epic, *The Ramayana*, as its source. It suggests that a sense of humor may be our best weapon in dealing with the world.

"Take two and hit it right."

This is an old baseball joke, inside advice on how to deal with a pitcher who is completely overpowering. It is a strategy for dealing with something that can hardly be dealt with. It's not much of a strategy, but sometimes it's all that's available.

"There comes a time in every man's life and, believe me, I've had plenty of them." This was as close as the late Casey Stengel, the baseball manager, ever came to a precise capsule of his beliefs. It means nothing, and yet it means everything.

"The duty of a writer is to provide beauty, truth, comfort and enlightenment at top speed."

Novelist Kurt Vonnegut was being ironic here, but hit upon the truth that's familiar to anyone who's ever had to be good on a deadline. A related truth is this one:

"Not everything that's worth doing is worth doing well."

This comes from the writer Tracy Kidder in his, *The Soul of a New Machine*. He was quoting a computer designer to the effect that sometimes things just have to get done, regardless of how good they're done.

Some days you eat the bear, some days the bear eats you.

My kids get sick of this one. The source is obscure, but it may have come from either Paul (Bear) Bryant, the late football coach at the University of Alabama, or Darrell Royal, the former football coach at the University of Texas. Obviously it helps explain bad days.

Bryant and Royal, incidentally, are variously credited with another set of famous words to live by: "Dance with the one that brings you."

Modern day coaches would translate that one as, "Well, we've had some success with winning games all year so that's why we didn't pass the ball when it was third and 38 with five seconds left on the clock but I won't know for sure until I look at the film."

That's one I won't be putting in my wallet. Football coaches, like most folks, aren't as eloquent as they used to be.

Consider those brief "Postcards from Desert Shield" that the TV networks are running. They get a few seconds on tape to say hello to their loved ones, and they all say basically the same thing: "I'd like to say hello to my wife and my kids and my mom and dad. It's good. It's hot. Go Airborne."

Compare that with the now famous letter that was featured last fall in the PBS series "The Civil War." A Union officer named Sullivan Ballou wrote a letter to his wife a week before he was killed at Bull Run. In part, it read:

"Sarah, my love for you is deathless. It seems to bind me with mighty cables that nothing but omnipotence can break, and yet my love of country comes over me like a strong wind and bears me irresistibly with all those chains to battle."

Words to live by. Words to die by. Which is depressing enough it may be time to watch "The Shootist" again.

Venice schools to get DARE officer

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

VENICE — Sixth grade students will meet a special friend in January when the school district and community become involved in the nationwide Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program.

Patrolman David T. Medley promises to be honest with the children in explaining the tough choices facing today's youth choices that will affect them for the rest of their lives.

"We are here for the children. They are our future and some day they will be our leaders. I am going to show them what's in my heart and be truthful with them," Medley said Tuesday.

Medley, the father of two children, is a young man who believes in the drug abuse education program and the fact such a program is needed in all communities, including his own.

"Children are so bright today, and to be tarnished with drugs is an unspeakable end," he said.

Tuesday, Dec. 18, happened to be Medley's first anniversary on the Venice police force.

He was hired in October 1989 but went to the Illinois

Police Academy for training. His first day on duty as a probationary patrolman was Dec. 18, 1989. Police Chief Brl Reed is pleased that Venice has opted to join the growing number of cities with DARE programs.

The chief also congratulated Medley, the department's first DARE officer.

Medley graduated from the Illinois State Police DARE Officer training program on Dec. 14 in Springfield. The training seminar is funded with federal and state money.

"Chief Reed went to the Board of Education, talked with the members and got the program started here," Medley said.

For now, the first DARE program in Venice will be presented without benefit of grant money or financial assistance in providing the services of a DARE police officer to the school district.

Medley will receive his regular pay while serving in the school program, Reed said.

Venice students have not been neglected in learning about the hazards of drugs. Reed has talked to various classes about substance abuse and chemical

dependency over the past few years.

As the department's former senior police sergeant, Reed also coordinated Venice's part in "Operation Snowball," a drug abuse prevention program for high school students.

The program is spearheaded by the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce's Crime Prevention and Awareness Committee and high school guidance counselors.

The DARE program primarily focuses on helping young people develop decision-making skills and an improved sense of self esteem.

"We will be talking with Miss (Luvonia) Long, Venice Grade School principal, and we hope to get the program started about Jan. 14," Medley said.

The DARE series concentrates on sixth grade pupils and is presented on three levels — visual, vocal and kinesthetic or touch, Medley said.

"We want the program to touch as many children as possible and show them that there is an alternative to drugs by feeling good inside one's self."

Medley will be working one day each week with two classes

of sixth graders during the 17-week curriculum.

Children need to know that their families and their community cares about them, the DARE officer said.

The last time Medley was with a group of youngsters in a classroom was when he was one of the students.

"I remember (Granite City Police) Sgt. (John) Apperson coming to talk to us at school. He showed us some magic tricks as he talked; maybe that's why I remember him so well."

During the two-week DARE training in Springfield, Medley actually faced a classroom of youngsters for a short time.

"Just to give us a taste of what to expect," he explained.

"The children are so bright. They are too bright to see them tarnished with drugs," he said.

Medley resides in Venice with his wife, the former Tineet Cook, and their children, Lauren, 3, and Derrick, 1.

He graduated in 1983 from Granite City High School South and was employed at the Granite City Police Co. prior to joining the Venice Police Department.

DUIs

Madison Avenue arrest

Robert Dwayne Cann, 31, of the 1700 block of Walnut Street was arrested at 12:35 a.m. Dec. 22 when his vehicle was stopped by a police officer in the 2400 block of Madison Avenue.

Cann's van was first seen heading south on Madison at 27th Street. The driver allegedly was weaving from lane to lane. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and driving without a valid driver's license.

Swerving van stopped

"An officer alleged seeing the driver of a Ford Aerostar van northbound on Madison Avenue near 30th Street veer into a southbound lane and swerve back to the far right lane of the four-lane road-way at 12:35 a.m. Dec. 15.

The officer followed a van that allegedly had swerved onto southbound Nameoki Road and halted the driver, Maxine Ann Kaye, 43, of the 1000 block of Washington Avenue, Madison, at 28th Street.

Charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, she posted her driver's license and \$102 bail and was released.



(Staff photo by Pam Doeppke-Hurd)

DO I HEAR 20? SOMEONE GIVE ME 20: Auctioneer Bill Scatturo of the Auction House takes bids on items for sale at the Granite City Police Department's auction held Dec. 15. The auction of unclaimed stolen items raised \$6,693 for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education, or DARE, educational program.

City gets grant for DUI enforcement

GRANITE CITY — The Police Department received a \$500 grant from the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists (AAIM) to increase DUI enforcement during the holiday season.

Granite City is one of 14 police departments in the state to receive a \$500 grant. The money will pay off-duty officers for extra driving-under-the-influence patrols over the high-risk December holiday period.

Other departments selected included Addison, Barrington Hills, Bourbonnais, Des Plaines, Downers Grove and Elmhurst.

"We selected these police

departments because of their outstanding records on DUI enforcement," said Paul Proehl, executive director of AAIM.

"During the Christmas holidays, more people drink to excess at social functions and then drive. It makes driving on the highways more dangerous for everyone," he continued.

"Our DUI grant program is a tangible way to make the highways safer."

"Additional police on patrol will arrest more alcohol-impaired drivers," he said.

"Also continuing is AAIM's successful "Drunkbusters" pro-

gram, which offers \$100 cash awards to citizens whose report of an impaired driver leads police to a DUI arrest. AAIM has paid \$4,000 in awards since the program began in May.

Nearly 250 people die each year on Illinois roads in alcohol-related crashes. Thousands more are seriously injured.

AAIM's purpose is to save lives and prevent suffering due to alcohol-related and other drug-related crashes.

The Illinois organization operates a victim aid program and advocates tougher laws to deter impaired drivers.

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The Internal Revenue Service has \$84,619 checks waiting to be cashed at 287 Springfield Ave. in Springfield, Ill. The IRS said it has \$2 million in cash on hand and is anxious to get the checks cashed. The IRS said it has \$2 million in cash on hand and is anxious to get the checks cashed. The IRS said it has \$2 million in cash on hand and is anxious to get the checks cashed.

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IRS may have funds to give you

The Internal Revenue Service has \$84,619 in federal refund checks waiting to be claimed by 287 Springfield District taxpayers.

Daniel L. Black Jr., IRS Springfield District director, said, "The average unclaimed refund is \$295. However, regardless of the size of the refund, we are anxious to see that the checks are given to the rightful owners."

People whose names appear on the list are encouraged to call the IRS as soon as possible.

They can call (toll-free) 1-800-829-1040 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A tax assistant will advise them of the procedures for claiming the refund check.

Callers should be prepared to provide the name and address as it appeared on the return, the actual name and address, the Social Security numbers, and the type of form filed.

The list follows:

Esther T. Moore of Granite City, 62040-3103.

Marilyn R. Clark of Granite City, 62040-3301.

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Emma Sue Rose of Granite City, 62040-4152.

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Katrina Paszkiewicz of Granite City, 62040-6301.

Cassandra Locket of Madison, 62060-1149.

Curtis A. Ray of Madison, 62060-1454.

More time for hearings on valuation

EDWARDSVILLE — All Madison County property owners will get a chance to protest their assessments.

The County Board has granted the Board of Review a 20-day extension to complete the protest hearings.

About 1,200 property owners from Godfrey alone have filed protests.

Board of Review Chairman Shirley Voegelé said the hearings should be completed by Jan. 22. The board is trying to squeeze in 60 hearings a day, she said.

State law requires protest hearings to be completed by Dec. 31 unless an extension is granted.

The County Board last week approved the extension unanimously, with no discussion.

The Board of Review was deluged by 5,000 complaints; many came from Godfrey, Foster, Alton, Moro, Ophphent, Olive and New Douglas townships, which had quadrennial assessments this year.



(Staff photo by Pam Doepeke-Hurd)

A MOUNTAIN OF PRESENTS: The Granite City Ambassadors have distributed to three area charities the gifts brought to the mayor's Christmas reception; 285 presents were given to needy children. From the left are Dan Brown, Ambassadors secretary; Sandy Kimbro, St. Elizabeth's Social Work; Mayor Von Dee Cruse; Karen Costello, Catholic Charities; Bob Maxwell, the Ambassadors' new president; and Dolores Gaines, Protestant Welfare.



(Staff photo by Pam Doepeke-Hurd)

SUGAR AND SPICE: Third graders at Frohardt Elementary School make gingerbread houses using empty milk cartons as the framework. Each student brought one type of candy from home and shared with the entire class. Representatives from each of the three classes placed the finished houses into a cabinet for display. From the left: Jenna Grable, 8, Rebecca Patterson, 8, and Joshua Duffield, 8.

Ballroom dance classes will open in Park District

The Granite City Park District is again offering ballroom dancing classes for couples or individuals.

Barbara Brandt, instructor, will teach the "box" waltz, old-fashioned waltz, polka, cha-cha, and jitterbug — plus other steps, if time permits.

The classes are for teens as well as adults and are intended to provide exercise as well as fun.

Beginner classes will be held on Mondays from 8:15 to 9:15 p.m. and the advanced class will meet on Wednesdays from 8:15 to 9:15 p.m. Registration is to be

handled at Wilson Park.

For more information, 877-3059 can be called. The cost of the class is \$10 per person for residents of the Park District and \$20 for non-residents.

Registration will begin Wednesday, Dec. 26, in the Wilson Park office.

Briefly

Tap and ballet classes on tap

Registration for session II of the tap dance and ballet classes sponsored by the Granite City Park District will begin Wednesday, Dec. 26, at the Wilson Park office.

The new session will begin Saturday, Jan. 5, at the Brown Recreation Center.

The fee for the program is \$7.50 for residents of the Park District and \$10 for non-residents. Proof of residency must be presented upon registration. A parent or guardian must register the children in order to sign a registration form and waiver.

The schedule of classes is: kindergarten through first graders, 9 a.m. until 10 a.m.; and second through sixth graders, 10 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Belinda Beckman is the instructor.

Summerstage auditions slated

Summerstage Inc., Granite City's community theater company, will hold auditions for its next production Thursday, Jan. 3, at 7 p.m. at Nameoki Presbyterian Church, 1700 Pontoon Road.

"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," based on the comic strip "Peanuts" by Charles M. Schulz, will be presented April 12, 13 and 14. Those wishing to audition should bring one song (any style), be prepared to read from the script and learn an easy dance routine. An accompanist will be provided.

For more information, the directors can be called — Jan Schneider at 451-4880 during the day or 451-1086 in the evening, or Marc Lull at 451-7612.

Registration for gymnastics

Registration for session II of the tumbling and gymnastics program sponsored by the Granite City Park District will begin Wednesday, Dec. 26, at the Wilson Park office.

The new classes will start Thursday, Jan. 3, at the Brown Recreation Center. Classes are limited to 75 students.

Belinda Beckman is the instructor. The fee for the program is \$10 for residents of the Park District and \$20 for non-residents.

Proof of residency must be presented upon registration. A parent or guardian must register the children in order to sign a registration form and waiver.

The schedule of classes is as follows:

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CHRISTMAS FEAST: Marshall Elementary School cooks "deck the halls" and prepare a special Christmas lunch. The cooks decorated all the lunch tables and placed decorations students had made on the cafeteria wall. Cooks, from the left, presenting students with lunch are Martha Smith, Marida Ward and Dorothy Willis. Students from the left are Kevin Perigo, 7, Natalie Buckingham, 6, and Anthony Gibson, 7.



(Staff photo by Pam Doepeke-Hurd)

PENNIES FOR PRESENTS: Ten-year-old Jonah Young, right, watches patiently as Margaret Gehling from the Madison County Homemakers Extension Association counts the pennies he has been saving to buy Christmas presents for his family. The purchases were made at the Kiddie Bazaar sponsored by the Homemakers' Consumer Homemaking Education Program in cooperation with the University of Illinois.

Better day care being sought for children

By Sylvia Porter

Los Angeles Times Syndicate
For millions of women, having it all means being able to find quality, affordable child care that will enable them to stay in the labor force.

This isn't easy to achieve. Their need is being addressed by entrepreneurs who see an opportunity to profit. Commercial centers are a small part of the system today, but their continued rapid growth seems assured by the pent-up demand.

At the same time, employers slow to pick up on the issue are moving more rapidly to accommodate their employees. There's a good reason. Women with infants make up the fastest-growing group in the labor force, says Barbara Reisman, executive director of Child Care Action Campaign (CCAC).

U.S. firms lose as much as \$3 billion annually due to family related absences, says Reisman. This has inspired 3,000 to 4,000 companies to underwrite child care for employees — and the number is increasing.

How do organizations intercede? Reisman cites these examples from the files of CCAC: At the University of California Medical Center, the union bargained for on-site day care center to accommodate the schedules of nurses and other workers.

At Leadville, Colo., when the mining industry collapsed, both parents had to work. A coalition of private and public sector forces joined to form and finance a center. It is in operation every day of the year and charges fees as low as 25 cents per hour.

In Atlanta, five companies, unable to go it alone, formed a consortium to open a child development center on the plaza floor of Rich's downtown department store. Now there is to be a second center in the city's hospital district.

Companies that are hesitant to establish their own are retaining others to operate centers for them. A small company's reluctance is understandable. It takes little to create a significant legal liability. Better to acquire a trained, qualified staff.

Other employers are contributing toward the cost of day care at non-company locations or making payments to employees as part of an overall benefits plan.

Hotels, industrial parks and housing developments are includ-

ing child care centers to attract both tenants and employees.

The current child care system is both costly and chaotic, according to CCAC. For most parents, child care of any kind is not affordable. This results in women quitting the work force, or using unlicensed "mom and pop" operations, or simply leaving their children home alone.

Congress included \$2.5 billion in the Budget Reconciliation Act to be used over three years for child care grants. Yet, government federal, state or local — still hasn't fully recognized the critical need in terms of the state's own interests.

Available government help reaches only a small portion of low-income families.

In the private sector, commercial child care operations are flourishing but at tuition costs prohibitive for most families. The shares of a handful of chain operators are publicly traded. The largest of these is Kinder-Care Learning Centers Inc. of Montgomery, Ala., with 1,260 centers.

The child care market is estimated today to be between \$10 billion and \$33 billion, according to Kinder-Care. All the national and regional chains serve only 3 percent of the nation's families, and Kinder-Care claims a third of the market. Its revenues in 1989 were \$344 million.

Yet the industry is not without problems. Observers comment that regulation is still too lax. Acceptable centers of any kind are hard to find, even though there are more than 65,000 of them.

Another problem is that child care workers are among the lowest paid in the nation. Few receive employee benefits. This and high turnover often result in low quality of care.

For the commercial providers, it could mean escalating labor costs if the workers become unionized, eating up profits or forcing higher tuition.

For corporations, a primary source of information on the issue is the Work and Family Information Center, the Conference Board, 945 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022, (212) 759-0900.

Whether you are an individual, a member of a community group, a government official or a business leader, you can get information, including lists of national and local resources, from Child Care Action Campaign, 330 Seventh Ave., 13th Floor, New York, N.Y. 10001, (212) 239-0138.



(Staff photo by Pam Doepeke-Hurd)

SINGING FOR SENIORS: The eighth grade choir of the Madison Middle School along with the Middle School's band present a Christmas performance for senior citizens at the Madison Recreation Center. Singing, from the left, front row, are Celena Brawley and Nicole Hobson; middle row, LaTashia Montgomery and Jillian Jones; and third row, Tracy Granger and Shawnte Ownes.

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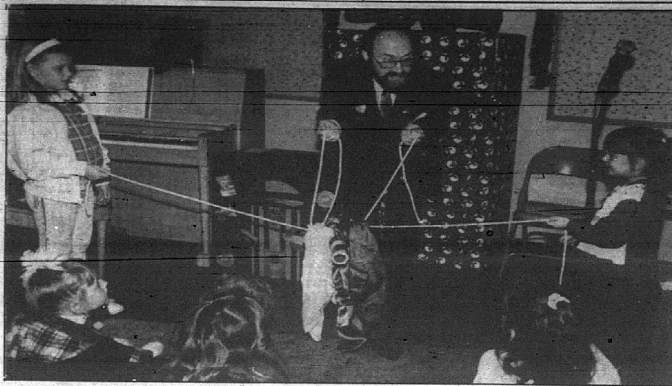
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WATCH CLOSELY, NOW: Magician James Gavin gets some help in performing a magic trick from Electa McGraw, 6, left, and Meagan Ingram, 4, right, at Santa's Mini-Mail. Children from three area schools participated in the event, buying presents for family members and visiting with Santa and Mrs. Claus.



(Staff photo by Pam Doepeke-Hurd)

SANTA CLAUS CHARMS EVERYONE: Three-year-old Amy Stidham seems a little apprehensive sitting on Santa's lap but is so charmed by the jolly old gentleman that she tells him everything on her Christmas wish list. The youngster was at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus for the third annual breakfast with Santa. Over 200 children and their parents were treated to breakfast and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus at the local college.

Spanish class set for grade school pupils

Next semester, area children will have the opportunity to learn about Hispanic cultures, the Spanish language, and even take part in a Mexican fiesta through participation in a non-credit Spanish program.

The instructional program, called Spanish Fiesta, will be provided for third through eighth graders.

Belleville Area College's Community Services Division, in cooperation with the Belleville Area Superintendents Association, has developed the innovative program to provide an enriching experience for area young people.

The programs are held for six consecutive Saturdays. Session One runs Feb. 5 through March 16 (classes will not be held on March 2).

Session Two will begin on April 6 and ends May 11. Participants may choose morning or afternoon sessions.

The college is pleased to

have the opportunity to work with local grade school superintendents to provide area children with exposure to the Hispanic culture in a non-traditional manner," said Dr. Valerie Thaxton, Belleville Area College vice president for community services. "This is something totally new for us."

Dr. Darrel Hardt, superintendent of the Signal Hill School District and a member of the superintendents association, said the Spanish Fiesta will be an ongoing program.

The children are grouped as third- and fourth-graders, fifth- and sixth-graders, and seventh- and eighth-graders.

Each group will start in Module One, a beginner level of Spanish.

"We wanted to start an enrichment program that would be a continuing program," Hardt said.

"Children can progress from module to module beginning in

the third grade. By the time they reach high school, they should know Spanish fluently."

Children also will prepare simple Mexican food dishes, learn Latin dances and folklore, and take imaginary trips to South America.

Cost for a six-week session is \$50, which includes registration fee, textbook and supplies.

Registration begins Jan. 3. Refunds will be issued up to 48 hours before the first class.

For registration, the numbers are 1-800-BAC-5131 or 235-2700, ext. 393.

Bridge traffic increases

VENICE — Traffic using the McKinley Bridge in October and November increased this year compared to the 1989 figures, it was reported by Tyrone Echols, bridge manager.

In October 1990, a total of 501,300 vehicles used the Mississippi River bridge for an average of 14,744 per day. An average increase of 889 vehicles per day was recorded, compared to October 1989.

A daily average of 14,283 cars

and trucks utilized the McKinley Bridge in November for a total of 427,880.

The figures show an average increase of 639 vehicles per day as compared to November 1989.

The city of Venice has owned the Mississippi River bridge since acquiring it from the former Illinois Terminal Railroad.

Senior Menus

Wednesday, Dec. 26 - Chicken and dumplings, pears with cheese, green beans, wheat bread, peaches.

Thursday, Dec. 27 - Country fried steak, whipped potatoes, spagh. biscuits, fruit cocktail.

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County buying 15 police cars, paving Pontoon

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — The Madison County Sheriff's Department will get 15 new squad cars, thanks to the Madison County Board's approval Wednesday of a state contract and other budgetary items.

Sheriff Bob Church said the purchases were part of an annual program to replace five-year-old cars in the department's fleet of 76 vehicles.

"We try not to keep them beyond five years because those have the most mileage," Church said.

Approved was the purchase of 13 1991 Chevrolet Caprices (police package) at a cost of \$10,759 each from Miles Chevrolet in Decatur and one 1991 Ford Tempo GL for \$8,158 from Jack Stoldt's Ford-Mercury in Petersburg.

The \$148,027 will come from the department's 1991 capital outlay funds.

Additionally, funds for the purchase of another Caprice for the sheriff's Court Security Division will come from the court's security budget.

In other action, the board:

- Agreed to pay 75 percent of a \$350,000 culvert replacement project on Schwarz Road in Edwardsville. The other 25 percent will be paid by the Edwardsville Road District.

- Approved \$150,000 in funding for improvement of Seminary Road from Gilbert Lane in Alton.

- The project covers a stretch of road just over one-third of a mile.

- Approved the purchase of a brush chipper for \$19,481 from Vermeer Sales and Service in Chesterfield.

- A bid from Woody's Municipal Supply in Edwardsville was rejected because it did not meet specifications.

- Approved \$260,000 in funding from the County Matching Fund for improvement of Pontoon Road 300 feet west of Rode Avenue in Granite City.

- Plans call for reconstruction of the roadway to a 44-foot face-to-face curb east to the Fairview crossing at Braden Avenue.

- A supplemental resolution would be passed if needed to furnish additional funds for the project.

- Will seek bids for the repair of windows in three courtrooms on the Courthouse's third floor.

- Approved a one-year contract, effective Dec. 22, with Specialized Services Inc. of Alton for janitorial service.

- Named the River Bend and Tri-Cities Area United Ways to administer emergency assistance programs to low-income residents.

- Tri-Cities Area United Way was awarded \$21,500 in Community Services Block Grant funds to serve the townships of Granite City, Venice and Nameoki.

- River Bend received \$40,500 in funds to serve the remaining townships in the county.

- Approved the following depositories to be used by the circuit clerk during 1991: UMB 1st National Bank of Collinsville, United Illinois Bank in Collinsville, Alton Banking and Trust Co., Bank of Edwardsville, Mark Twain Bank of Edwardsville, 1st National Bank in Madison, Magna Bank in Granite City and Wood River, Illinois State Bank of East Alton and Landmark Bank of Madison County, Highland.

- Designated the Southwestern Illinois Planning Commission to update the county's base maps.

- The amount of the contract, including time and materials, is not to exceed \$7,000.

College students here offer varied skills to potential employers

The Job Placement Center on the Granite City Campus (GCC) of Belleville Area College says it has the skills and talent local and regional employers are looking for, according to Martha Nelson, coordinator.

GCC has nearly 3,000 students, many looking for part-time jobs

while in school and full-time employment after graduation.

"We have a skilled group, trained in a number of fields," Nelson said.

"The students have been very enthusiastic about the full- and part-time job opportunities we have listed in the past. It's a

great opportunity for both the community and the students."

Any equal-opportunity employer is welcome to list a job opening with the GCC Job Placement Center free of charge.

The listings are displayed on a job board outside the Center for Student Development and

remain posted until the position is filled or the employer requests its removal.

Nelson said employers also are welcome to include job requirements and skills with the listings. She can be called at 931-0600, extension 38, or 1-800-BAC-3131, extension 441 or 442.

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Boy Scout Troop 96 holds Court of Honor, banquet

Boy Scout Troop 96 held its Court of Honor and Christmas Banquet on Dec. 3 at Maryville School.

The opening ceremony was done by the Indian and Eagle Patrols. The prayer was offered by James Moulton. Pat Gibson welcomed the guests. Steve Chapman acted as the master of ceremonies for the evening.

Recognition of advancements was given by Tally Evans Gary Coppedge to the following:

Scout: Todd Ahlers, Nathan Bowser, Joey George, Brian Millsap, Brandon Frather, Fred Sansoucie, Mike Settlemoir and Jeremy Thomas.

Tenderfoot: Todd Ahlers, Mike Settlemoir, Joey George, Fred Sansoucie, Jeremy Thomas and Nathan Bowser.

Second Class: Todd Ahlers, Fred Sansoucie and Nathan Bowser.

First Class: Fred Sansoucie, James Moulton and Jeremy McCauley.

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Cicio, Pat Gibson and Jarrod Duffield.

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ing and motorboating.

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Weckman, citizenship of nation, fishing and sports; Jeremy Zaruba, swimming, environmental science, aviation, personal management, motorboating, citizenship of world, lifesaving and communications.

The closing ceremony was Jeremy Zaruba playing "Silent Night" on his guitar with everyone singing and with a surprise guest, Santa Claus, giving gifts.

Legion auxiliary meets for dinner

Past Presidents of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 113 held its annual Christmas dinner at Jerry's Restaurant last week.

Past Presidents attending were Mildred Rees, Lumeta Durbin, Katie Barks, Evelyn McColgan, Connie Ballard and Barbara Weathers. Guests were Carmen Dickerson, president of Unit 113; Peggy Gibbons; Dorothy Hinson, Unit 307; and Past Department president, Norma Hillmer, Venice Madison Unit

307; Pam Graham, Wood River Unit 204; Priscilla Mathus, Edwardsville Unit 199; Virginia Egan, Department National Security chairman. Members attending from St. Clair County 8740 Salon 148 were Chapeau Mary Eitzenhofer, Judy Seibert and Mary May.

A gift exchange and fellowship was enjoyed. The dinner meeting was closed by all joining hands, singing "God Bless America."

Trio Unit holds annual holiday party

Trio Unit of Homemakers Extension met Dec. 4 in the party room of Jerry's Cafeteria. Members held their annual Christmas party at 10 a.m.

Members were entertained by readings of poetry and stories of the holiday season.

Officers adorned shawls and led everyone in the singing of Christmas carols. Helen Robertson played the piano.

Ceramic banks were given as prizes for a drawing to Doris Anderson, Louise Anderson, Vivian Forshee, Alice Pfrender,

Louelle Etheridge.

Four new members were welcomed — Helen Gubser, Jean Schwarzkopf, Polly Nichols and Juanita McCarty.

At each placement was a long stemmed red carnation. The flowers were a gift of Shirli K. Floral Designs.

Plans for the CHEP program were discussed. Members were asked to help with the children shopping program.

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Church Women United begins 50th Jubilee Year

Church Women United began its 50th Jubilee Year on Thursday, Dec. 13, with songs and a review of CWU Heritage at Trinity Methodist Church, Granite City.

Participants in the program were Mae Lee, president of the local chapter; Rev. Donald De Jarnett, pastor of the host church; Nona Corzilius, chairman; Dorothy Kinney, past president of the local chapter; and Muriel Kratz, newly elected secretary. Recognition was given to the past presidents. Those who were able to attend were Dolores Allen, Dorothy Kinney, Lena Seitzer, Ola Jones, Nona Corzilius and Mae Lee.

After the meeting a potluck, silent auction and homemade crafts were sold. The annual assembly will be held at the Bethel Evangelical Free Church at 2450 Stratford Lane, Granite City at 10 a.m. Jan. 10. A soup luncheon will follow.

Church Women United celebrates its 50th anniversary in 1991 with a Jubilee Year of special events that will culminate in a Jubilee Assembly next November at the St. Louis Convention Center. The theme for both the year and the assembly is, "Set Free! Be Free! Jubilee!"

Organizations

er-in-law, Neil Melton and President Ruth's brother, who is undergoing surgery.

Auxiliary Mother Yvonne Gray had president Jorgensen escorted to the altar where she was presented with the auxiliary's Christmas gift.

President Jorgensen had Auxiliary Mother Yvonne Gray and Chaplain Joanna Spencer escorted to the altar. Mrs. Gray was presented with the auxiliary's Christmas gift and Joanna Spencer was presented with a gift from the president for taking pictures all year for the Presidents Scrap book.

Good of the Auxiliary was won Norma Hemkin. There was no jackpot winner as Gail Fritzsche was not present.

The meeting was then adjourned. Daisy Vinson played Christmas carols and the auxiliary enjoyed a singalong. The singing a gift exchange was held.



SOCIETY OF SERVICE members, from left are: (back row) Jean Pritchard, Linda Leggett, Norma Diak and Ollie Derr. Left to right (front row) are John Sidner and Geri Sidner.

Society of Service meets

The Society of Service met at the home of Jean Pritchard for its Christmas Party.

A short business meeting was conducted, with Linda Leggett reporting four members went with her to be Santa's helpers at the Disabled American Veterans Christmas party for special children. Helpers were Norma Diak, Ollie Derr, Jean Pritchard, Geri Sidner and John Sidner. The organization presented a check to Sylvia Dennis, the story teller for the event.

Election of officers was held. Geri Sidner was elected president, Norma Diak vice-president, Ollie Derr secretary and Jean Pritchard treasurer. Officers will take office in January.

The members also brought canned goods for the American Legion Tri City Post 113 needy Christmas baskets, and jewelry items for the Amvets Auxiliary Post 204 Christmas party for local nursing homes.

Members and guest enjoyed playing Christmas bingo and refreshments were served to Norma Diak, Ollie Derr, Geri Sidner, Linda Leggett and guests Millie Joyce and Penny Slaughter.

An installation of officers will be held on Jan. 11 at the Melvin Price Support Center.

Eagles Auxiliary has holiday party

The Eagles Auxiliary Christmas Party was held at the Eagle Home on Dec. 11. The party started at 6:30 with a potluck dinner. After the dinner a short business meeting was held.

President Ruth Jorgensen opened the meeting. Conductor Yvonne Gray presented the flag and placed the Bible and the motherhead on the altar. Secretary Vincine Zerlan read a letter from Specialized Services and the Auxiliary passed a motion donating \$25 for their Christmas party.

President Jorgensen announced the Eagles Adult Christmas party would be held Dec. 15. The Eagles Children party will be Dec. 24 at 2 p.m. State Officers Appreciation weekend will be held Jan. 18, 19 and 20, 1991.

The auxiliary stood and offered a moment of silent prayer for terminally ill Stella Miller, Angie Buchler's brother.

Young at Heart recognizes clergy

The Holy Family Young at Heart Christmas Party was held Dec. 10.

President Irma Manning welcomed the members and prayer was said by Father William Fisher. Jerry's catered the dinner. There were 102 in attendance.

Recognition was given to priests and sisters for their support of parish activities.

A thank-you was read from Adele Blaser for the cards and prayers sent to her husband, Joe, a patient in St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Prizes were won by: Helen Bertachchi, Jan Oberle, Dee Giesh, Katie Fedora, Ann Kiar, Anna Michels, John Danco, Mickey Krusec, Terry Hanne, Catherine Creamer and Cathy Mathis. Warren Bequette was the winner of the gift donated by Thomas Mortuary.

Stanley Latta, accordionist, provided music for singing and dancing during the evening.

Eta chapter holds meeting

Annual philanthropic projects were the main items of discussion at the monthly business meeting of Eta Chapter, Phi Tau Omega Sorority, held at the home of the chapter President Martha Ruth Thomas on Dec. 5.

Christmas gifts were approved to Catholic Charities, Protestant Welfare, the Salvation Army, as well as a special gift to a needy member of a Kansas City chapter of the sorority.

Reports and correspondence from various national officers were read, including an update report on plans for the 1991 national convention to be held in Las Vegas in June.

Plans are continuing for the current rush season, with the pledge ceremony to be conducted in January, followed by the formal initiation dinner in March. The Christmas party is scheduled for Dec. 27, at Ralph and Charlie's Steakhouse.

Mary Lou Richeson was special prize winner. Also attending: Mary Evelyn Vencho, Shirley Morgan, Elaine Hatcher, Georgiana VanBuskirk, Dorothy Costello and Mary Hassler.

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Sodality installs Norris as president

Newly-elected officers of St. Elizabeth's Ladies Sodality were installed at the annual Ladies Advent Party held Tuesday evening, Dec. 11, in the school cafeteria.

Nancy Norris, who was re-elected as president, officiated at the installation of Sharon Lofas, vice president, and Mary Evelyn Yench, secretary. They were presented a gift by Norris.

Hostesses for the party were mothers of eighth-grade students under the leadership of Marga-

Second annual Network meet set

The Second Annual Holiday Network will hold its holiday meeting consisting of a mini-trade show and networking. Free tables will be available for members only, of the Southern Illinois Network of Women, on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

The meeting will be held at the new Ralph and Charlie's Restaurant, 4020 Pontoon Road, Pontoon Beach, beginning at 6 p.m. with appetizers and cash bar.

SINW is a women's networking group for business and professional women in southwestern Illinois.

Reservations must be made by Sunday, Jan. 4, 1991. For information, call Dianna Barren, 397-2342, Jan Bradley, 692-2625, or Cherry Sykes, 259-1064.

Methodist Women enjoy caroling

The United Methodist Women of Niedringhaus United Methodist Church met in the church parlor for their monthly meeting.

Juanita Brown opened the meeting by reading two poems entitled "Christmas Letter" and "Christmas Eve" by Edgar Frost. She then offered a prayer.

Before the business meeting, President Dolores Allen led the group in repeating the purpose of United Methodist Women. She conducted the business meeting and later introduced the new officers for the coming year.

The group enjoyed singing a few Christmas Carols accompanied by Jennie Lynn Totten. After the carols, Totten sang a solo entitled "Gesu Bambino."

Entertainment for the evening was by Mary Ruth Bitzer of Collinsville who portrayed the part of "Minnie Pearl."

Decorations were snow men and lady at each table in the Christmas theme.

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ret Groboski, chairman.

The Rev. Don Wolford gave the invocation; a reflective reading was given by Sister Barbara McMullen; and Marsha Chomko led the audience in response to scripture. President Norris welcomed 107 ladies to the dinner which was catered by Petri Cafe. A hand-crafted Christmas tree ornament adorned the place setting of each lady attending. Entertainment for the evening was provided by the Granite City High School Swing Choir under the direction of Gail Mueller.

Birthdays of Peggy Koerper and Sally Gracey were recognized. A special collection will be given to Catholic Charities and Hosea House.

The Quilt-of-the-Month was awarded to Helen Ridenour; Pot-of-Gold winners were Kathy Gresham, Carolyn Friedel and

Vickie Schaus. A silk-flower centerpiece, donated by Brad's Flowers, was won by Mary Evelyn Yench. Another silk-flower centerpiece, donated by Marilyn Champion, was won by Catherine Ponce.

Attendance prize winners of hand-crafted Christmas items were won by: Karin Ashal, Janice Atkinson, Marcia Blankenship, Frances Bury, Darlene Bush, Jean Butch, Gayle Carr, Maxine Czerniejewski, Helen DeRuntz, Jean Edwards, Jessie Foley, Agnes Friedel, Kathy

Gresham, Evelyn Groimes, Fran Haack, Barb Hasty, Jane Jackstadt, Vickie Jacobs, Mary Kowalski, Rose Krystopa, Martha Melvay, Anne Miller, Wilma Ostresh, Jane Parkinson, Carol Patterson, Kathy Simpson, Mary Stanfill, June Stieb, Pat Thomas, Thelma Thomas, Paula Thouvenot, Jean Vrenick, Debbie Wallis, Irene Weber, Irene Wein, Cindy Whitt, Betty Winebrenner, Sylvia Winfield and Sr. Barbara McMullen.

Homemade cookies and punch were served by the mothers of eighth-grade students.

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Obituaries

Church

Lindsay M. Church Sr., 70, of Granite City, formerly of St. Louis, died at 4:51 p.m., Friday, Dec. 21, 1990, at St. Louis University Hospital. He had been ill for four weeks and in the hospital for three weeks.

Born in Dec. 13, 1920, in Malden, Mo., Mr. Church was a resident of Granite City for 35 years. He was employed with the Terminal Railroad Association as a switchman for 30 years. He retired in 1974. He was in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of United Transportation Union; an honorary past master of the Masonic Lodge 835; a member of the Scottish Rite; the Low 12 Club; and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. He was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include his wife Mary (Williams) Church, whom he married on Oct. 25, 1943, at Cape Girardeau, Mo.; his children, Mrs. Daniel (Victoria) Boyd of Granite City, Mrs. Paul (Mary

Arlene) Gismenging of St. Peters, Mo.; Lindsay M. Church Jr. of St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mrs. Daniel (Pamela) Kern of St. Charles, Mo.; and Barry Church of Granite City; one brother, William T. Church of Little Rock; one sister, Bobbe Caton of Spokane, Wash.; and eight grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents, Robert and Sarah (Lindsay) Church.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 9 p.m. Sunday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, where there will be a Masonic service at 8 p.m. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary in the Thomas Chapel. The Rev. Ed Stovall and the Rev. Fred Luper will officiate. Burial will be in the Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to the Heart Fund, Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, and the E. Gene Ross Masonic Scholarship Fund.

•Driving

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In a collision at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, a 1980 Chevrolet operated by Frederick H. Hoffman, 48, of the 2400 block of Nameki Road, was stopped in the southbound lanes of Nameki Road at East 25th Street, when a 1987 Pontiac Trans Am driven by Kevin J. McCullough, 25, of St. Charles, Mo., heading north on Nameki, slid on an icy patch of roadway, crossed the center line and struck Hoffman.

A passenger in Hoffman's car, Alice M. Hoffman, 38, of the 2400 block of Nameki Road, sustained an injury and was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

At 5 p.m. Saturday, Savannah L. Martin, 28, of the 900 block of Greenwood Street, Madison, was turning from Grand Avenue onto 27th Street when her car was hit from the rear.

Kathy L. McDonald, 34, of the 2200 block of Dawn Avenue

reported trying to stop at the intersection, but her 1986 Buick continued to slide into the other car.

Florence Martin of the 2800 block of East 25th Street, a passenger in Savannah Martin's car, sustained an injury.

Illinois State troopers also were kept busy on Friday, Saturday and early Sunday morning, answering so many calls it was impossible to keep track of the 137 trooper said.

State police officers responded to more than 80 accidents between Friday evening and Saturday night, it was estimated.

Minor collisions were still occurring early Sunday morning. "We're checking cars off in ditches right now," a state trooper said.

A Madison County Sheriff's Department spokesman said the unincorporated areas had more than the usual amount of accidents, but could give no numbers.

•Real estate

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agents' first "significant contact" with a customer.

According to Suguitan, because he knew it would take time for real estate offices to develop a system to handle the forms, his office had not been strictly enforcing the regulation. "But I am warning you, right now, that as of Jan. 1, the gloves are off," he said.

Suguitan said rules for implementing the state requirement for continuing education have been drafted and will be final soon.

He said that, although he believes all agents and brokers should be required to attend continuing education, the industry-sponsored regulation would never have passed without a "grandfather clause" exempting agents and brokers with more than 15 years of continuous experience.

Illinois has more than 93,000 licensed real estate agents and

brokers, Suguitan said, making it the fifth largest in the United States. Only California, Florida, Texas and New York have more.

But, he said, Illinois ranks 14th in the U.S. in complaints. Last year, Illinois had 861 complaints, he said, while during the same period California had more than 350,000.

On the other hand, he said, Guam had only six complaints and New Hampshire and West Virginia each had only seven.

Suguitan said his office only has 15 investigators to look into complaints and, currently, only one attorney to prosecute cases. Still, he said, it is his goal that no case will take more than six months to resolve.

"But time can't effect fairness," he said. "Since I have the ability to issue fines of as much as \$10,000 and suspend a license, taking away a person's ability to earn a living, it can't be taken lightly."

•Respect

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"Say a person has an auto accident and kills 10 people. Is that a reason to doubt his ability to perform in his profession? Yes, if it can be tied specifically to his performance."

"But not automatically — they should have the right to present their side and have their side considered."

Discipline is a big part of his job, Suguitan said, but not a big part of the real estate field.

"You see a lot of the same things with the same names, so it really is only a small portion of the people," he said.

About 25 percent of the complaints involve mishandling of escrow accounts, he said.

Other major areas of complaints, he said, are real estate agents running "blind ads" or other misleading advertisements, having incomplete contracts signed, making misstatements, and unprofessional conduct.

•Sewer

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Man Beach, to Mary Ribbing, township representative to the sewer board, and to County Board Member Don Rea. But, he says, "Nobody will do anything."

Futch related that a manhole, which is about 300 feet from Matterson's residence and could possibly be the source of the odor, was vented Dec. 17.

He said that Rea, who is handling the complaint, will take the videotape to Matterson's home to show her that the problem does not lie with the surrounding sewer lines.

Rea, who says that he was made aware of the problem the week of Thanksgiving, says he will view the videotape with the Mattersons.

In his opinion, the problem does not lie with Madison County sanitary sewers. He says that the sewer system would "smoke the line above her (house) and watch the smoke to detect a pat-

SIUE takes another step to semesters

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — The quarter system, once widely used by Illinois colleges and universities, may soon be extinct.

The majority of the Faculty Senate at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville voted recently in favor of converting to the semester system.

Professor Sid Denny said 38 senate members voted in favor of the measure while seven opposed. There were also two abstentions.

But even those who disagreed, accepted that the system could work, Denny said.

SIUE is the last university in the state to operate on the quarter system. The University of Illinois at Chicago, which operates on the quarter system now, will convert to semesters next year, Denny said.

Denny chaired a 16-member Calendar Conversion Committee which studied the feasibility of converting to the semester system.

SIUE President Earl Lazerson has given a Dec. 15 deadline for acting.

The measure was already approved by the Student and Staff Senate in the spring.

The committee's study found no major problems in the conversion, other than it would require a lot of time and effort.

"Everyone we talked to indicated that it was a process we could not rush," Denny said.

In its recommendations to the president, the committee targeted the fall of 1993 for the conversion to take place, Denny said.

"It would take every bit of time between now and then to do it, too," he said.

Denny described the measure as a worthwhile change. While it will ultimately cause some confusion, the benefits will be substantial, he said.

Denny said the semester system will keep students from dropping out as easily by providing more time to absorb material.

Under the quarter system, a single mid-term can be the deciding factor between passing and failing a course.

"With semesters, if a student has trouble early on he has a chance to come back," Denny said. "It will give students additional time to get help."

Denny said one of the guiding principles of the conversion was that no student be hurt by it.

"That's the most significant thing we have to keep in mind," Denny said.

The committee acknowledged that no matter when the conversion occurred, some students might be caught between the two systems.

For example, the quarter system requires 192 hours for graduation. Two-thirds of that amount, or about 124 hours, would be required by semesters.

Students' quarter hours would

be converted to semester hours, but a half-hour here or there might be lost, Denny said.

"In that instance, a student would be given the benefit of the doubt," Denny said.

Each department would also have to evaluate its program with certain programs being added and dropped, Denny said.

Each program's requirements would also be changed.

That's why the committee's future recommendations the establishment of a problem resolution process that would help students through any confusion.

"Without going to 15 different buildings and talking to a bunch of different people," Denny added.

While the conversion would have no effect on the annual rate of tuition, it would require students to pay twice instead of three times a year, making bigger payments.

To help with this, the committee recommended that a time payment schedule be adopted so that students could spread those larger payments out over a period of time, a practice used by many universities, Denny said.

The committee estimated the cost of the conversion at \$750,000 although Denny said the figure is a bit higher.

"We were concerned with having more than enough to not enough," Denny said.

That estimate includes items, however, that would be needed whether the conversion is done or not.

Included is \$100,000 for the printing of the university's course catalog and \$2,000 for brochures for each department, Denny said.

Denny said Lazerson has already committed the \$750,000 for the conversion to be paid over a three-year period.

The funds would come from savings the university yields through an energy conservation program, Denny said. Those funds are normally used for "R3" projects which include repair, renovation and remodeling.

"Conversion would be the higher priority over the three-year period," Denny said.

The Faculty Senate also voted to proceed with the hiring of a coordinator for the project within the next month, a move also recommended by the committee, Denny said.

The coordinator would be appointed from existing faculty members and would return to full-time teaching once the conversion was completed, he said.

Denny said he expects Lazerson to approve the measure, so he is bracing himself for whatever lies ahead.

"With any change of this sort there is bound to be confusion," Denny said. "But we want to make this as easy as possible for everyone involved."

911 board helps out the county, pays for some cost

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — The Madison County Board won't have to pay this year's tab for the county's 911 emergency telephone system.

The county's 911 Emergency Telephone System Board has agreed to pay \$24,500 for six new sheriff's department dispatchers and three radio consoles.

The 911 board acted after the county board failed to come up with enough money for the emergency call system, and Sheriff Bob Churchich claimed the lack of funding was a threat to shut up the system.

The countywide 911 system is scheduled to go on line in December 1991.

The board acted during county board budget hearings in the fall that dispatchers and consoles

are needed to handle emergency calls for unincorporated areas of the county, including Godfrey and Foster townships.

Churchich said he expects to hire the dispatchers in June, six months before the system is slated to go on line. A seventh dispatcher will be hired in 1992.

Godfrey Fire Chief Terry Ford, the 911 board's chairman, said the board will pay \$72,500 for the dispatchers' 1991 wages.

The board has tentatively budgeted \$135,000 for the dispatchers' 1992 wages and \$140,000 for 1993 wages.

But the new money provided by the 911 board does not mean the county is off the hook for future expenses, Churchich said.

The dispatchers' 1992 wages will total \$201,000, he said. That means the county board will

have to come up with \$66,800 to cover wages.

"I need some commitment from the county board in my budget for the dispatchers," Churchich said.

The 911 board has bent over backwards for us, Churchich said. "However, I got no money from the county board and that part scares me."

James Monday, the county's director of administration, said Churchich's concerns will be addressed by a committee of county criminal justice officials next year.

Churchich sought money for dispatchers and radio equipment in his 1991 budget, but the county board cut those items.

The sheriff's department now has four full-time dispatchers. Churchich originally wanted

nine new dispatchers, which would have allowed him to have three dispatchers 24 hours a day.

With seven new dispatchers, three will work during the day, three will work during the evening and two will work during the midnight shift, Churchich said.

The 911 board has collected \$963,000 from the monthly 6-cent surcharge on all county telephone lines that voters approved in 1989.

Ford said the 911 board will likely spend \$1 million in 1991, including the \$244,500 for the sheriff's department radios and dispatchers.

Most of the money will be spent on computer equipment and software that will be installed at the sheriff's department and police stations throughout the county.

Drivers — and cars — can get a free ride

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

In the spirit of the holiday season, Granite City residents can get a "TOWED" this year if they have had "one too many" to drink.

Ashley's Towing, 4150 Nameki Road, is offering free rides home to those who have overindulged at a holiday party, local bar or other festive occasion. Their cars will go with them.

"It's not that we condone excessive drinking," in Don Coppedge owner of Ashley's Towing. "We just want to offer a positive

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recognize outstanding community service projects.

People needing assistance in the Granite City area during the Christmas and New Years holidays call Ashley's Towing central dispatch telephone number, 581-TOWS, and a tow truck will be sent to their location. No fees will be charged. The only requirements are that people are to be taken home rather than other parties or establishments, and their cars must be operable, Coppedge said.

Sleepover for youngsters at 'Y' Friday night

A YMCA sleepover for those 6 to 12 years old is set for Friday at 9 p.m. The children are to be picked up by 8 a.m. Saturday.

There will be swimming, gym games, racquetball and a snack. They are to bring a swimsuit,

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Fatima Circle 835 meets for party

Daughters of Isabella, Our Lady of Fatima Circle 835, had their Christmas party at Jerry's Dec. 6. Chancelor Goldie Coleman led the group in prayer.

Regent Dorothy Hildebeck read correspondence from Rev. Anthony Pierotti, Taiwan, thanking the members for their contributions toward the building of a hospital.

Petty-McKinnon sent a thank-you to the circle for hosting and providing the luncheon for the joint installation of officers during November. A newsletter from Gene DeRuntz, grand knight, Knights of Columbus was also read.

Members were urged to make their contributions to the "Bakeless Bake Sale" which will go to the bishop's relocation fund.

Attendance prizes were won by: Josephine Yurko, Berdell Goeller, Celi Cruse, Mary Tolka and Mary Murgio.

Those in attendance were: Anna Acquaviva, Johanna Bukac, Lucille Cabae, Goldie Coleman, Peggy Cronkovich, Celi Cruse, Berdell Goeller, Frances Graber, Annaleise Gyarmati, Dorothy Hildebeck, Mary Horvath, Martha Kozuszek, Margaret Kwiatkowski, Celi Mance, Irma Manning, Mary Murgio, Agnes Roderick, Ruth Ann Rotter, Stephanie Ruzic, Eugenia Stanfill, Marie Szymek, Elvira Thurber, Mary Tolka, Josephine Yurko, Marionrose Lambert and Mary Nemeth.

The rest of the evening was spent singing Christmas carols.

The Ladies Coterie celebrated the Christmas season with a luncheon served at the Central Christian Church on Dec. 6. Twenty-five members were in attendance. Instead of Christmas exchange, the membership made a monetary contribution to the Old Six Mile Museum.

Marguerite Barker gave individual gifts including the Granite City Diamond Jubilee 75th Anniversary Commemorative Coin in appreciation for the donation made to the museum. Mrs. W.C. Watkins hand-crocheted Christmas ornaments for favors. Festive table decorations were prepared by Mrs. Dawson Wade.

Mrs. Richard Schwedemann, president, welcomed the members and Mrs. Louis Meek gave the blessing.

A group of ladies from the Meadow Heights Baptist Church of Collinsville, called the "Rootie

Organizations

Toothers," entertained. The kitchen band provided a variety of musical selections and involved their audience in sing-a-long.

The president thanked the membership that there would be no meeting for the month of January, but that the Ladies Coterie would be meeting Feb. 21. The Christmas Program was closed with the membership repeating the Club Collect.

Polish Dancers entertain group

Alpha Eta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International held its Dec. 8 meeting at Niedringhaus Methodist Church in Granite City.

An open board meeting at 10 a.m. was followed by a noon luncheon. For entertainment, the Polish Dancers of Metropolitan St. Louis sang and danced three lively sets.

Christine Bertio, state recording secretary of Lambda State, was introduced by President Linda McDonnell. Following her remarks, Christmas carols were sung. The meeting concluded with a candlelight "Silent Night."

Local members in attendance were: Liz Bridge, Elsie Mayhath, Linda McDonnell, and Dorothy Mitchell.

The general meeting of the local Parents Without Partners chapter is held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Disabled American Veterans Hall on 19th Street in Granite City.

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You are eligible for PWP if you are a single parent of a living child and are single because of death, divorce, separation or never having married.

All single parents and grandparents are cordially invited. For more information, call President Dale McCarthy at 789-2660; Dolores Cunningham, 631-2427; Beverly Burns, 877-5006.

Women of Moose to host past regents

Women of the Moose held its Past Regents Christmas Party at Ravanello's recently.

After dinner members exchanged gifts and played games. Those attending were: Millie Votoupal, Sara Gusewelle, Edna Miller, Joan Teller, Gladys Markovich, Marion Lipscomb, Marilora Wilkerson, Jenny Belyue, Clara Johnson, Gerrie Speece, Pat Mack and Dorothy Coy.



RECITAL HELD: Piano teacher Mildred Hedger from Fornasewski Music Store in Granite City held a recital Nov. 11 at St. John's United Church of Christ. The following students performed, front row, left to right: Erica Carney, Jamie Schmidt, Karen Suess and Nicole Cripps; second row: Angela Pirmann, Shannon Gergen, Jonathan Schwallier and Randy Kunkel; third row: Lindsay Heath, Marlo Hutchinson and Noelle Gardner; and fourth row: Carl Carnes, Melissa Schwallier and Rosa Lee Lucas.

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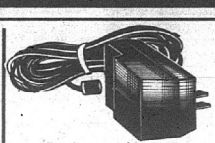
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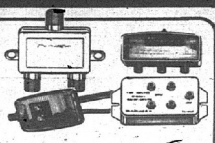
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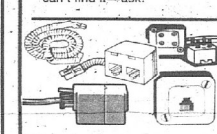
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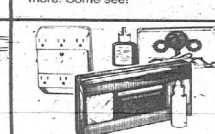
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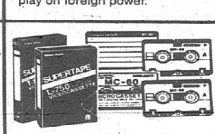
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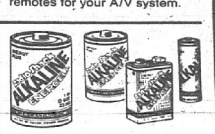
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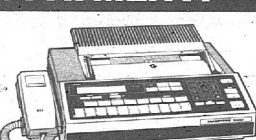
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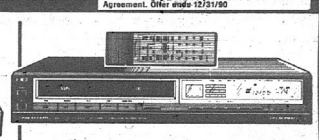
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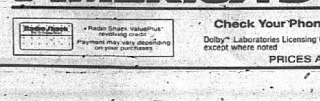


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Mitchell names its top students of the week

Maxine Duniphan covers the Mitchell area for the Press-Record Journal. She can be contacted at 433-3714.

Fifth-grade student Karla Williams and sixth-grade students Rachel Mefford and Bill Tindall are Mitchell School's Students of the Week.

Rachel was selected for her good attitude and good grades in music. Selected by teacher June Branding, Rachel sets an example of what music students can be in this word today.

Karla and Bill were selected by learning center instructor Terri Lignouli. Karla always works hard and is very well behaved. She sets a good example for others. Bill is hard work-



Maxine Duniphan

ing and willing to do whatever is asked of him. He also is very polite and well-mannered. Congratulations, Karla, Rachel and Bill.

Students of the week — Fourteen students have been selected for the honor of Student of the Week by physical education instructor Clabbe Briggs. Each

of the 14 gave an outstanding performance in running a mile with scores passing the National Presidential Fitness Test with 85 percent or better.

Sixth-grade students Crystal Timmons and Oriol Bone led Mitchell students with the best speeds. Crystal ran the mile in 6:54 and Oriol ran the mile in 6:58.

Other students with outstanding scores include sixth-grade students Bryan Johnson (7:17), Chris Fraley (7:28), Mike Summers (7:30), Tom Cell (7:31), Amanda Brazee (8:08), and Jamie Hendrickson (8:59), and fifth grade students Josh Hickam (7:20), Jason Dix (7:32), Holly Ryan (8:02), Jessica Mefford

(9:00), Vanessa Lewis (9:00), and Melissa Edwards (9:12).

Students of the week — Speech students Sean Daugherty (fifth grade) and Larry Soehlig (second grade) have been selected as Students of the Week by Ann Hillmer. Sean and Larry were both selected for their all-round improvement in speech class since the opening of school.

Applause — Amanda Brazee to perform at The Fox.

Amanda Brazee, Mitchell sixth-grade student, appeared in four performances of "The Nutcracker" ballet at the Fox Theatre in St. Louis Dec. 20-23. Amanda was among 60 St. Louis area young people cast in roles as party guests, toy soldiers, angels and bonbons. Amanda, who had a role as a soldier, auditioned for "The Nutcracker" in November at the encouragement of her dance instructor. "The Nutcracker" featured the State Ballet of Missouri and the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra. We applaud Amanda and her accomplishments in dance.

Santa's Workshop News: Congratulations to students Anna Hansen, Michele Patrick and Natalie Tretter who won the Santa's Workshop drawing. Each girl received a \$5 check from Mitchell PTA.

Thank you to the many helpers at Santa's Workshop. A special thank you to Kelly Watson and her volunteer workers Linda

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Dorothy Mitchell of Yale Avenue hosted the annual Christmas potluck dinner for the Church Women United of Mitchell Presbyterian Church, at her home Dec. 10.

Following the 6 p.m. dinner the festivities continued as the group played games and visited.

The Christmas Story was pres-

ented by Suzanne Levy and Dorothy Mitchell, with the use of a Flannel Arts graph board. The evening's activities concluded with a gift exchange.

Others present included the Rev. Linda Shugert, Sharon DePew, Elly Knight, Betty Futch, Doris LaVillie, Georgia Simpson, Janet Wood, Emily Jones, Clara Oster, Lucy Moore, Josie Noud, Bonnie Bunselmeier, Karen Bryarly, Patricia Norris and Juanita English.

David and Daisy Ferguson of Meadowlane Drive traveled to Murphysboro recently for a pre-Christmas visit with relatives. They visited Daisy's father Joseph Bennet and her sister and brother-in-law, Wanda and Tom McDaniel, with whom Mr. Bennet lives.



PAST AERIE PRESIDENTS: Eagles Aerie 1126 recently held a dinner to honor the past Aerie 1126 presidents. Those in attendance, the year they served as president and their wives, from left to right are: Spencer, 1970, JoAnna Spencer; James Lipchik, 1947, and Helen; Bill Hayes, 1951, and Elsie; Bill Hemken, 1957 and 62, and Norma; Lyle Tempel, 1961; Margie Love, Harold Love, 1984; Glendal Horn, Don Horn, 1987; and Sharon Hogan. Bob Hogan, 1988. (Not available was Marge Tempel). Related Eagles photos are on Page 8D.

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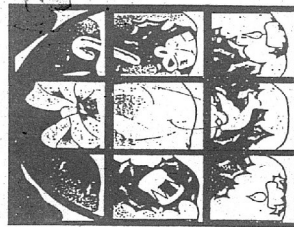
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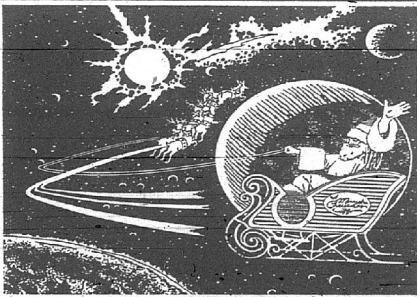


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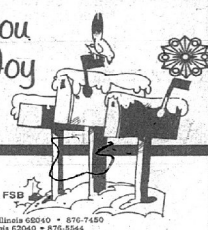
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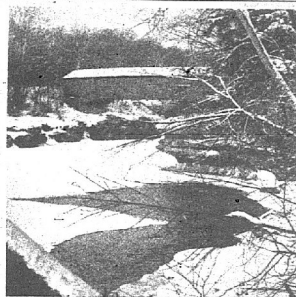
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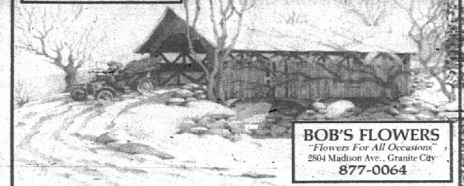
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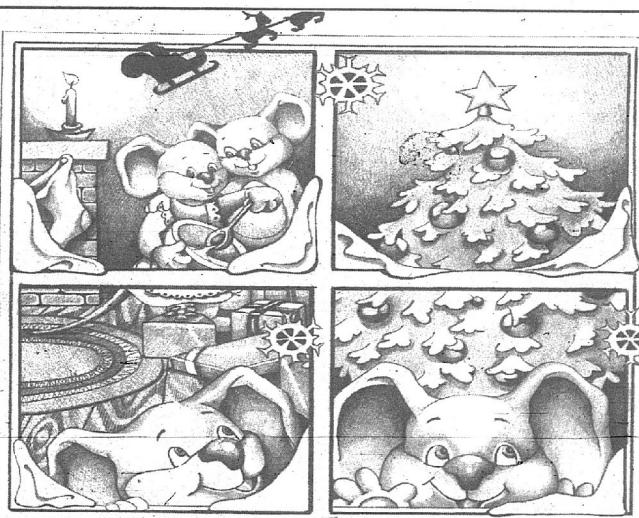
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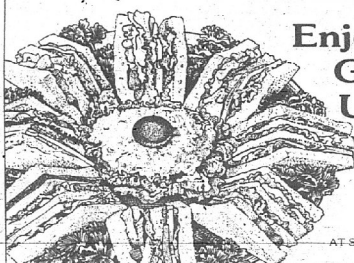
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Nuts to New Year's Day with chocolate, caramel

Combining rich chocolate flavor with caramel, plus almonds or pecans, adds up to great tasting, rich desserts that are easy to prepare, but elegant to serve.

Chocolate Almond Caramel Cookies feature an easy-to-make crust that is pressed in the baking pan. Next, a thin caramel layer is spread over the crust, then comes a rich chocolate filling. After chilling, shapes can be cut with a knife or cookie cutters.

Chocolate Squares With Nutty Caramel Sauce feature a snacking cake made with cocoa. A warm caramel nut sauce adds a finishing touch. Top with whipped cream.

Regular cocoa can be used in either recipe. For darker color, use European-style cocoa.

Chocolate almond caramel cookies

- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 4 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1/2 cup ground almonds, toasted
- 20 caramel candies
- 2 tsp. water
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 1/2 cup cocoa
- 1/2 cup light corn syrup
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 cup sliced almonds

In small mixer bowl, beat 1/2 cup softened butter and 1/2 cup sugar until light and fluffy. Blend in 1 egg. Gradually beat in flour until smooth. Stir in ground almonds. Press on bottom of 10-by-9-inch baking pan.

In small saucepan over low heat, melt caramels with water until melted and smooth. Immediately spread on bottom of crust.

Warming comfort of soup saves day as quick lunch

Start with a ready-made soup from a deli or can or mix soup from 2 packets, then add savory ingredients that make it closer to the way Mom would cook it. Thicken a soup by adding drained canned vegetables or meats. This is especially good for meat-based vegetable and various noodle soups.

For easy shrimp and Vegetable Soup, heat 2 cans vegetable

In small mixer bowl, beat together 1/2 cup melted butter, 1/2 cup sugar and cocoa. Blend in corn syrup, 3 eggs, vanilla and salt. Beat until smooth. Pour over caramel layer. Sprinkle sliced almonds over tart surface. Bake 40 to 45 minutes at 350° until chocolate mixture has started to firm and cracks begin to form. Cookie dough may puff, then fall as it cools. Cool. Cover and refrigerate. Cut in squares.

Makes about 2 dozen squares.

Chocolate squares with nutty caramel sauce

- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup cocoa
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1/2 cup milk
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 1 bag (14 oz.) caramel candies
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 cup pecan pieces
- Sweetened whipped cream or whipped topping, if desired

Grease bottom only of 8-inch square baking pan.

In small mixer bowl, combine sugar, flour, cocoa, baking powder and salt. Add oil, milk, eggs and vanilla. Beat until smooth. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 35 to 40 minutes at 350° until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool.

In small saucepan, place caramels and water. Cook over low heat, stirring occasionally, until smooth and well blended. Stir in pecans. Cool until thickened slightly.

Cut cake in squares. Serve with warm caramel nut sauce and sweetened whipped cream. Makes 9 servings.



AN ATTRACTIVE COMBINATION of chocolate, caramel and nuts have a loyal following in any year.

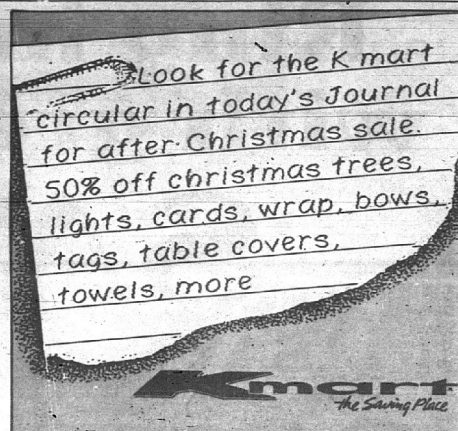
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By Patricia

Holidays that often

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Light or no-alcohol holiday helps control health risks

By Patricia Abels
Registered dietitian
American Heart Association

Holidays mean celebration and that often means drinking alcohol—sometimes too much alcohol. Stopping and taking stock of your alcohol consumption may turn up a big surprise.

Alcohol's effect on the nervous system is well documented. It slows down reaction time and clouds judgment, making drinking and driving hazardous. It removes social inhibitions and acts as a depressant.

Alcohol's other negative effects are less well known, but just as important. It often increases blood pressure and blood triglycerides (blood fats). In a person with diabetes, alcohol can cause problems with blood sugar control, especially hypoglycemia or low blood sugar. Excessive alcohol also has been linked to a higher risk for cancer of the mouth, larynx, throat, esophagus and stomach, and is the number one cause of liver disease or cirrhosis.

Finally, alcohol is no calorie bargain. Unit per unit, alcohol contains almost twice the calories of carbohydrate—starch or sugar—and nearly as much as fat.

Some positive effects of drinking alcohol moderately have been documented. Several studies indicate that moderate drink-

ing is associated with lower risk of heart disease, perhaps by raising HDL or "good" cholesterol. However, there is still debate as to whether the fraction of the HDL affected is actually protective against heart disease. In a healthy person, a small amount of alcohol probably is not harmful, but there are no good medical reasons for an abstainer to start drinking.

Many major health groups recommend that people avoid drinking alcohol or, if they do drink, do so moderately. A person with high blood pressure, high blood triglycerides or diabetes ideally should abstain. This also holds true for pregnant women and women who are attempting to conceive. Healthy adults should limit intake to no more than 1 or 2 drinks daily. One drink translates into 11 ounces of 80-proof whiskey, gin, scotch or vodka or 4 ounces of wine or 12 ounces of beer.

Before your next party, practice these tips. Start by taking a look at your wine glass. A standard glass is 4 to 5 ounces, but many goblets hold 8 to 12 ounces, the equivalent of two or three drinks. Dilute a drink with non-caloric spritzers, diet soda or sparkling waters. Add ice to beer or wine and sip slowly. Better yet, try delicious new non-alcoholic beers. When drinking, consume a large glass of water between each alcoholic drink.

Finally, eat before or while drinking to help curb ill effects. The following quantity recipe for eggnog is perfect for parties. It has much less fat and cholesterol than regular eggnog and calls for brandy or rum extract in place of alcohol.

Eggnog
24 egg whites
12 egg yolks
1 gal. plus 2 1/2 qt. milk (skim, 1/2 percent or 1 percent milkfat)
4 cans (48 oz.) evaporated skim milk
1 cup honey
1/2 cup (6 oz.) brandy or rum extract
Nutmeg to sprinkle on top

At least one hour before serving, separate eggs. Put whites in clean mixing bowl. Set aside. Discard the 12 extra yolks. Put yolks in large container. Mix well, using a whisk. Whisk to both milks, honey and brandy extract. Chill until serving time. Just before serving, beat egg whites until they form soft peaks; they should not be stiff or dry. Fold egg whites into chilled milk mixture. Sprinkle lightly with nutmeg.

Makes 50 (3/4-cup) servings; 133 calories, 4 gm. fat, 76 mg. cholesterol and 128 mg. sodium. Note: It is best not to serve raw eggs to sick or elderly people due to the possibility of salmonella poisoning.



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Food

Appetizers slip into new year with comfortable party style

By Betty Serati
Microwave specialist

'Tis the season to be busy, while 'tis the season for entertaining at the same time. What can a busy hostess do?

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A successful New Year's party has an assortment of hot and cold dishes, as well as a balance of meat, vegetables, cheese and seafood. Food that can be prepared in advance and food that takes a minimum of preparation time takes some frenzy out of entertaining.

A simple finger food that guests of all ages enjoy and can be prepared in advance is **Bacon Poles**. Use the same number of thin breadsticks as bacon slices. Dip one side of the bacon strip in parmesan cheese and roll it against the breadstick diagonally.

Place on a microwave bacon rack or plate lined with paper toweling. Cook, covered with more paper towels, about 1 minute each. The result is a crispy, cheesy, bacon-flavored breadstick that is easy to eat and quick to prepare.

Almost everyone enjoys Stuffed Mushrooms, which are handy for a party because they can be prepared in quantity well ahead of time. Their versatile stuffing can round out a serving table because it can include meat, cheese, vegetable or seafood. This is a basic recipe. A

creative cook simply adds to the filling to suit the occasion.

Use about 50 medium mushroom caps. Remove and dice the stems. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup diced green onion and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter or margarine to diced mushrooms. Cook in microwave oven 2 to 3 minutes on high power until vegetables are tender. Stir in 1 cup prepared stuffing crumbs, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon garlic salt and 1 tablespoon lemon juice. Stuff mushrooms, using about 1 tablespoon stuffing per cap.

These can be refrigerated until serving time. When ready to serve, arrange 10 to 12 mushrooms on a microwave-safe plate. Cook 5 to 6 minutes on high power until cooked. Serve

No party is complete without a seafood dish. Nothing fits the

delicate season better than shrimp. Cold shrimp in cocktail sauce is fine, but hot **Garlic Shrimp** is outstanding, not to mention delicious. Cook frozen shrimp and a microwave oven. For 2 cups of shrimp appetizers, place $\frac{1}{4}$ cup butter in a microwave oven, melt for 45 seconds until melted. Stir in $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon garlic powder, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon onion powder, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon green onion and 2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley. Cook 12-15 minutes. Using one (12-ounce) microwave oven, cook frozen, peeled shrimp, separate shrimp and place in flat microwave-safe dish with sides. Evenly pour mixture over shrimp. Shrimp, Cook, covered, 5 to 8 minutes on high power until shrimp are opaque, stirring occasionally.

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Black-eyed peas get 'tradition' update

Black-eyed peas are a southern New Year's tradition. The saying goes that turnip greens will bring money all year long while each black-eyed pea you eat will bring a lucky day.

Offer those black-eyed peas as lucky morsels as a real southern treat. Texas Caviar, a southwestern-style salsa salad.

Dried black-eyed peas may be soaked and cooked like any dried bean. To cut down preparation time, use conveniently frozen black-eyed peas which require no soaking. Toss the cooked peas with chopped pepper, onion, tomato and a spicy vinaigrette. An added ingredient is toasted slivered almonds which add rich, nutty flavor and contrasts a crisp and crunchy texture against softer vegetables.

Serve Texas Caviar with tortilla chips for a New Year's Eve party appetizer or make a double batch for the gang watching football games the next day. If luck doesn't come right away, try it again with Texas Caviar as a luncheon salad throughout the year.

Texas caviar

1 cup blanched slivered almonds
1 can (16 oz.) black-eyed peas (see Note)
1 1/2 cups chopped tomato
1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 tsp. minced jalapeno pepper

1 tsp. minced garlic
Lone Star Vinaigrette
Tortilla chips

Spread almonds in single layer in shallow pan. Place in cold oven. Toast 9 to 11 minutes at 350°, stirring occasionally, until lightly toasted. Cool.

If necessary, cook black-eyed peas according to package instructions.

In mixing bowl, combine almonds and black-eyed peas with tomato, bell and jalapeno pepper, onion and garlic. Toss with vinaigrette. Mix thoroughly.

Serve immediately as dip with tortilla chips.

Makes 5 cups (12 to 15 appetizer servings).

Lone Star Vinaigrette: Whisk together 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar, 2 tablespoons almond or vegetable oil, 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard, 2 teaspoons chopped cilantro, 1 teaspoon cumin, 1/8 teaspoon black pepper and salt to taste until thoroughly blended.

Note: 1/2 cup dried black-eyed peas or 2 1/2 cups frozen black-eyed peas, cooked according to package directions, also may be used.

Pork chops take to spices

Pork is a mild meat that couples well with most flavors. Here are two ways to create a masterful meal with pork chops.

Mix together 2 tablespoons flour, 1/2 teaspoon basil, 1/2 teaspoon oregano, 1/2 teaspoon tarragon, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Coat 4 boneless butterfly pork chops with seasoned flour. Sauté 2 cloves gar-

lic, crushed, in 2 teaspoons olive oil. Remove garlic. Sauté chops quickly until golden on both sides.

For a lighter taste, marinate 4 chops in 1/2 cup olive oil, 1/2 cup lemon juice, 1 clove garlic, crushed, and 2 teaspoons tarragon leaves. Broil 15 to 20 minutes, turning once.

Breakfast in jiff for family on go

For a quick blended breakfast, let the first person in the kitchen throw together this mixture in a blender.

To make Breakfast in a Glass, process 1 can (15 ounces) raspberries (or any fruit) in heavy syrup, undrained, in blender or food processor until pureed. Strain,

if desired, and return to blender. Add 1 1/2 cups skim milk, 1 cup vanilla frozen yogurt, 1/4 cup wheat bran or wheat germ and 1 to 2 tablespoons honey. Blend until smooth. Makes four (1-cup) servings; 200 calories, 6 gm. protein, 2.3 gm. fat, 43 gm. carbohydrate and 78 mg. sodium each.

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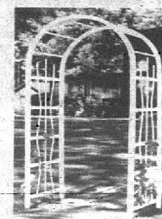
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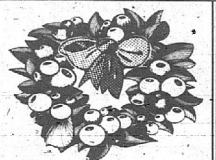
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Entertainment

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John Goodman still a fan of family, friends, St. Louis

The following interview with actor John Goodman was conducted by Christopher J. Koenig, a friend of Goodman's since their college days in the early '70s. Both attended St. Louis Community College at Meramec and Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield.

At Goodman's request, Koenig was given a part in the movie, "Everybody's All-American," and in several commercials.

Q. What's your impression of marriage and fatherhood?

A. It's great. I'm glad I waited until I was established in my profession to settle down. I don't miss the wild days at all... everybody sooner or later will outgrow it. Annabeth is a wonderful wife and stabilizing influence for me, especially now that we have been blessed with our beautiful daughter, Mollie Evangeline. I know I will spoil her, but so what? That's what dads are for. She's already sleeping through the night.

Q. How do you get along with your in-laws?

A. This may sound corny but I really do consider them not only family but as best friends. How many guys do you know that look forward to having his mother-in-law visit? She's just fantastic. Mollie really helped out with the baby, who was named after her. Annabeth has very strong family ties to Bogalusa, La.

Q. What about your father-in-law?

A. Seymour is like hanging out with a fraternity brother. He's turned me onto fishing. Can you imagine me getting a line? I love it. We watch football, knock back a couple of brews and just shoot the breeze, like we've been friends all our lives. He's a good building a house for us near his place in Bogalusa—I can't wait until it's completed. Down there people take you at face value—they couldn't care less about all the Hollywood hype and glamour.

Q. It sounds like you've adopted the New Orleans area as your new home.

A. I love New Orleans, Mardi Gras, the food, the people... it's like being in another country. My first love, however, will always be St. Louis. After my television career has run its course, we plan on moving back there and dividing our time between St. Louis and Louisiana. I really get homesick, especially during baseball season. I love to listen to Cardinal games on the radio. Don't get me wrong, L.A. is a great place to live, the people are very nice and I've made some close friends, but I'm basically a Midwest boy with conservative values. I prefer White Castles over quiche and pro wrestling over the philharmonic and Rodeo Drive.

Q. How's the career going?

A. Good... too good. I'm booked for the next two years for movie roles in addition to filming "Roseanne." I'm very

excited about a movie I just completed this past summer filmed in London, starring Peter O'Toole, called "King Ralph." I also played the role of a psycho in "Barton Fink," filmed this past summer, too. This role was a real change of character for me. Instead of playing a lovable lug, I actually got to play the heavy. It was great.

Q. Do you feel you are being typecast?

A. No, not at all. Next year I will play Fred Flintstone in a Spielberg movie and Babe Ruth in another. Does that sound like I'm being typecast? I've yet to get the girl, though.

Q. I guess most people identify you with Dan Conner, the role you play in "Roseanne." How close is Dan to John?

A. Dan's a lot more handier around the house than I am. I still have trouble lighting the barbecue pit. Our values are close—family comes before anything and we both love to laugh. I'm closer to my mother and brother and sister than the role I play. I've always had tremendous support from my family, especially my brother, Les, who helped finance my lean years in New York.

Q. What's it like being financial ly secure?

A. It's weird... sometimes I just cannot believe I have become successful, like someone is going to come and say: OK, it's over, give it all back. I'll be eating fried bologna and potatoes again. I just want my family to be happy and if money can help achieve it, that's great. All my best friends are pretty much cut from the same cloth: austere backgrounds, with down-to-earth perceptions of who they are and what it's like to make it on your own.

Q. Why do you think you are perceived as everyone's buddy?

A. I guess it's because I'm not threatening or conceited and

may be even a little naive in some ways. Most of my buddies have had "real" jobs for years and kids that are in high school—I'm new to all of this. Sure, I've been in several movies, but now I'm learning to change diapers and shopping for baby stuff. Also, I see myself for what I am—just a regular guy trying to find some happiness in life and provide for my family and help out anyone who has helped me along the way.

Q. How's your physical health?

A. Believe it or not, I have lost weight. I'm nowhere near where I want to be, but I am exercising on a regular basis since my schedule with "Roseanne" has fairly normal hours. I doubt I'll ever give Stallone or Schwarzenegger any competition, but I might just surprise some people in the next year.

Q. What are your fondest memories of St. Louis?

A. Everything! Like I said before, my idea of heaven is a Cardinal game on the radio, pork steaks on the grill and a cold Bud. I love the zoo and art museum, too. It's too bad we lost the football Cardinals to Phoenix, but hopefully we can acquire an expansion team that's a contender. Until then, I root for the Raiders, Rams and Saints.

Q. Where do you see yourself five years from now?

A. Hopefully, I won't be a trivia question on a game show. Seriously... just being able to work at my profession and make an intelligent contribution to whatever it is I'm involved with. I want to be a good husband and father and hopefully put back something positive into the system that allowed a guy like me to succeed.



MUGGING FOR THE CAMERA. John Goodman, center, visits the Current River in Eminence, Mo., in July during the making of a commercial for the Missouri Department of Tourism. With him are, clockwise from top right: Jim Tullman, Bill Frisette, Chris Koenig, who interview him, and Tom Mullen.

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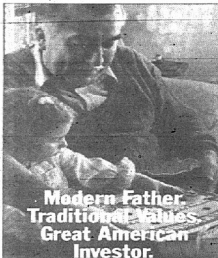
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